Section II-(A)-b

Land Classification Interpretations

Prime and Important Farmland

Prime farmland is land that has the best combination of physical and chemical characteristics for producing food, feed, forage, fiber, and oilseed crops, and is also available for these uses (the land could be cropland, pastureland, forest land, or other land, but not urban built-up land or water). It has the soil quality, growing season, and moisture supply needed to economically produce sustained high yields of crops when treated and managed, including water management, according to acceptable farming methods.

In general, prime farmlands have an adequate and dependable water supply from precipitation or irrigation, a favorable temperature and growing season, acceptable acidity or alkalinity, acceptable salt content, and few or no rocks. They are permeable to water and air. Prime farmlands are not excessively erodible or saturated with water for a long period of time, and they either do not flood frequently or are protected from flooding.

This section includes lists of soil survey map units that meet the soil requirements for prime farmland in the county and state. Soils that have limitations, such as a high water table or flooding, may qualify as prime farmland if these limitations are overcome by such measures as drainage or flood control. State important soils are also noted.

This subsection includes:

- (a) County Prime Farmland List
- (b) Missouri's Soil Survey Mapping Units Denoting Prime Farmland and Farmland of Statewide Importance

Grundy County, Missouri Prime Farmland

(Only the soils considered prime farmland are listed. Urban or built-up areas of the soils listed are not considered prime farmland. If a soil is prime farmland only under certain conditions, the conditions are specified in parentheses after the soil name.)

Map symbol	Soil name
03B 04 06 11B 12B2 23B 24B2 25B 26B2 45 50A 51 52B 54 55 58 66 67	KILWINNING SILT LOAM, 2 TO 5 PERCENT SLOPES (Prime farmland if drained) HAIG SILT LOAM (Prime farmland if drained) EDINA SILT LOAM (Prime farmland if drained) GRUNDY SILT LOAM, 2 TO 5 PERCENT SLOPES GRUNDY SILT LOAM, 2 TO 5 PERCENT SLOPES, ERODED ARMSTRONG LOAM, 2 TO 5 PERCENT SLOPES, ERODED ARMSTRONG CLAY LOAM, 2 TO 5 PERCENT SLOPES, ERODED PERSHING SILT LOAM, 2 TO 5 PERCENT SLOPES, ERODED PERSHING SILT LOAM, 2 TO 5 PERCENT SLOPES PERSHING SILTY CLAY LOAM, 2 TO 5 PERCENT SLOPES, ERODED HUMESTON SILT LOAM, OCCASIONALLY FLOODED (Prime farmland if drained) LANDES FINE SANDY LOAM, 0 TO 3 PERCENT SLOPES, OCCASIONALLY FLOODED FATIMA SILT LOAM, OCCASIONALLY FLOODED VIGAR LOAM, 2 TO 5 PERCENT SLOPES, RARELY FLOODED ZOOK SILTY CLAY LOAM, OCCASIONALLY FLOODED (Prime farmland if drained) WABASH SILTY CLAY LOAM, OCCASIONALLY FLOODED (Prime farmland if drained) NODAWAY SILT LOAM, OCCASIONALLY FLOODED (Prime farmland if drained) VESSER SILT LOAM, OCCASIONALLY FLOODED (Prime farmland if drained)